PROJECT 10073 RECORD

1. DATE - TIME GROUP	2. LOCATION
26 Feb 54/1930Z	Newburyport, Massachusetts
3. SOURCE civilian 4. NUMBER OF OBJECTS one	10. CONCLUSION UNIDENTIFIED
5. LENGTH OF OBSERVATION 30 sec - 1 min 6. TYPE OF OBSERVATION ground visual 7. COURSE down and up 8. PHOTOS ☐ Yes XXXNo 9. PHYSICAL EVIDENCE ☐ Yes ☐ No	11. BRIEF SUMMARY AND ANALYSIS Disc type silver object, white trail - loud and intense roar like jet. 4 witnesses. See case file & sketch. Reliable observers. Possible a/c. no aircraft reported. UNIDENTIFIED.

FORM
FTD SEP 63 0-329 (TDE) Previous editions of this form may be used.

April 28, 1954
[redacted]
Andover, Mass

To Whom it may concern.

On Monday April 26 - 54 we were in the Newburyport Highschool yard when I heard a droning sound overhead, as I locked I saw a grayish white disc decending and leveling off again in a Southeasterly direction. It had no attachments to it. It was at a sixty degree angl traveling in a straight line with no sound after it had dropped. The time was between 3. 3.30 P.M. sky clear with a few scattered clouds.

[redacted]

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Francis W. Hennin

FRANCIS W. HENNIN
Captain, USAF

Incl #2

April 29, 1954

To whom it may concern,-

On the afternoon of April 27 I happened to be in the backyard of the Newburyport High School between three thirty and four o'clock in the afternoon when I heard a very heavy roar of what I thought were aeroplane engines. I tried to locate the noise but could not and did not see anything.

/s/ [redacted]

[redacted]

Newbury, Mass.

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Francis W. [signature]

FRANCIS W. HENNIM
Captain, USAF

Incl #4

April 28, 1954

To whom it may concern:

While parked in the Newburyport High School yard in Newburyport, Mass. I observed an object at a considerable height, this object appeared circular in shape and about the size of an observation balloon, color grey-white. This object made considerable noise, very much like a small airplane and disappeared out to sea in a south-easterly direction. Time this object was seen 3.00 to 3.30 P.M. Sky clear and cloudless in the vicinity of this object. Length of time visible to me about 15 seconds. This object in question was seen on Monday, April 26, 1954.

[redacted]
Andover, Mass.

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Incl #3

	TIME: EST	SKY COND	VSBY	WEATHER & OBSTRUCTIONS	WIND DIRECTION SPEED CHARACTER
Bedford	1430	E120 ⦶ 250 ⦶	15 +		↑↗ 8k
	1530	E120 ⦶	15+		↑ 4k
Manchester	1430	E120 ⦶ 200 ⦶	40		↓↘ 10k
	1530	E120 ⦶	40		↓ 10k
Boston	1430	E180 ⦶ 250 ⦶	15 +		↖ 12k
	1530	140 ⦶ 200 ⦶	15 +		↙ 7k

Boston EST (1600) Wind Report	3422	23527	3427	43330	3133	63034	2933	83035
	3037	03140	[illegible]	43060	62962	83062		

Portsmouth Coast Guard Sta. Portsmouth, NH	1530	Clear	15	None	SE 2 MPH Temp 50° Bar 29.95

Incl #5

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AIR INTELLIGENCE INFORMATION REPORT

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Objects (UFOB)	
AREA REPORTED ON: Newburyport, , Massachusetts	FROM (Agency): 6520th Test Support Wing, Laurence G Hanscom Field, Bedford, Mass.
DATE OF REPORT: 29 April 1954 / DATE OF INFORMATION: 28 April 1954	EVALUATION:
PREPARED BY (Officer): FRANCIS W. HENNIN, Captain, USAF	SOURCE: Civilian Interview

REFERENCES (Control number, directive, previous report, etc., as applicable)
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SUMMARY: (Enter concise summary of report. Give significance in final one-sentence paragraph. List inclosures at lower left. Begin text of report on AF Form 112—Part II.)

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(c) Color of object being a silver white ring with center dark and a haze or white trail behind object.

(d) One object sighted.

(e) No formation of objects.

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(c) Object descended EAST by NORTHEAST and ascended EAST by SOUTHEAST from the observers at an angle of approximately 45°.

7 INCLS.
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2. Statement by Mrs. [redacted]
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6520th TEST SUPPORT WING, AFCRC
Air Research and Development Command
L G Hanscom Field
Bedford, Mass.

MAY 3 1954

SUBJECT: Unidentified Flying Objects Report (UFOB)

TO: Director of Intelligence
Headquarters, USAF
Washington 25, D. C.

Attached herewith is an Air Intelligence Information Report, subject: Unidentified Flying Objects Report, forwarded in accordance with AFR 200-2 dated 26 August 1953 and AFR 200-2A dated 2 November 1953.

FOR THE COMMANDER:

Elmer Fraley

ELMER FRALEY
Captain, USAF
Adjutant

1 Incl
Air Intelligence
Info Rpt

Info Copy to:

Commander
Air Technical Intelligence Center
Wright-Patterson AFB, Ohio

(f) Object a plain round disc.

(g) No visible trail or exhaust.

(h) Sound drew attention to object. A high droning sound seemed to get louder on descent.

(i) No other unusual features.

(2) (a) Object dropped in a Southeast direction.

(b) Angle of object to observer approximately 60°.

(c) Object moved in a Southeast direction and disappearing at a 60° angle.

(d) No unusual flight path maneuvers.

(e) Object disappeared as a disc with color remaining the same.

(f) Observed for approximately one minute.

(3) (a) Ground - visual

(b) Negative

(c) N/A

(4) (a) 1930Z 26 Feb 54

(b) Day

(5) Observer standing in automobile parking lot at rear of Newburyport High School, Newburyport, Massachusetts.

(6) (a) Mrs. [redacted], Age 45, [redacted]t, Andover, Mass. Occupation - Housewife, Telephone [redacted] (Statement attached as Incl #2)

(7) (a) Sky clear except for a few clouds in northern portion.

(b thru f) Attached as Incl #5.

(8) No unusual activity at point of observation.

(9) Negative

(10) N/A

INTERVIEW III

(1) (a) Round shaped object.

(b) Approximate size of a weather balloon.

(c) Grayish white in color.

(d) One

(d) Rapid flight path when object descended and ascended. The object seemed to hesitate prior to ascending.

(e) Object traveled upward and faded as a solid silver shaped disc.

(f) Object in sight of observer for approximately 30 seconds.

(3) (a) Ground - visual.

(b) Negative.

(c) N/A

(4) (a) 1930Z 26 Feb 54

(b) Day

(5) (a) Observer standing in automobile parking lot at rear of Newburyport High School, Newburyport, Massachusetts.

(6) (a) Mr. [redacted], Age 56, [redacted]d, Newburyport, Massachusetts, Telephone [redacted] Occupation - Architect (Statement attached as Incl #1)

Estimate of reliability very good from:

Mr. [redacted]
Civilian Defense Director
Newburyport, Mass. Telephone [redacted]

(7) (a) Observer states weather clear with scattered puffy clouds.

(b,c,d &e) Weather reports attached (Incl #5). Stations given are Bedford, Mass and Boston, Mass. as time of observation of unidentified object.

(f) No thunderstorms reported.

(8) No unusual activity at point of observation.

(9) Negative

(10) N/A

(11) No air traffic reported.

INTERVIEW II

(1) (a) Object similiar to a disc.

(b) Larger in size than a basketball.

(c) Greyish white in color.

(d) One

(e) No formation of objects.

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(e) No formation.

(f) Negative

(g) Negative

(h) Sound similiar to a small aircraft engine at high RPM.

(i) No other unusual features.

(2) (a) Mr. [redacted] (Interview I) called observers attention to object and sound.

(b) Object at approximately 60° to observer.

(c) Object moved away in a Southeast direction.

(d) No unusual maneuvers.

(e) Object faded away without change of color.

(f) Fifteen seconds.

(3) (a) Ground - visual

(b) Negative

(c) N/A

(4) (a) 1930Z 26 Feb 54

(b) Day

(5) (a) Observer standing in automobile parking lot at rear of Newburyport High School, Newburyport, Mass.

(6) (a) Mr. [redacted], Age 49, [redacted], Andover, Mass. Occupation: Marine Engineer (Statement attached as Incl #3)

(7) (a) Sky clear

(b thru f) As attached Incl #5.

(8) No unusual activity at point of observation.

(9) Negative

(10) N/A

INTERVIEW IV

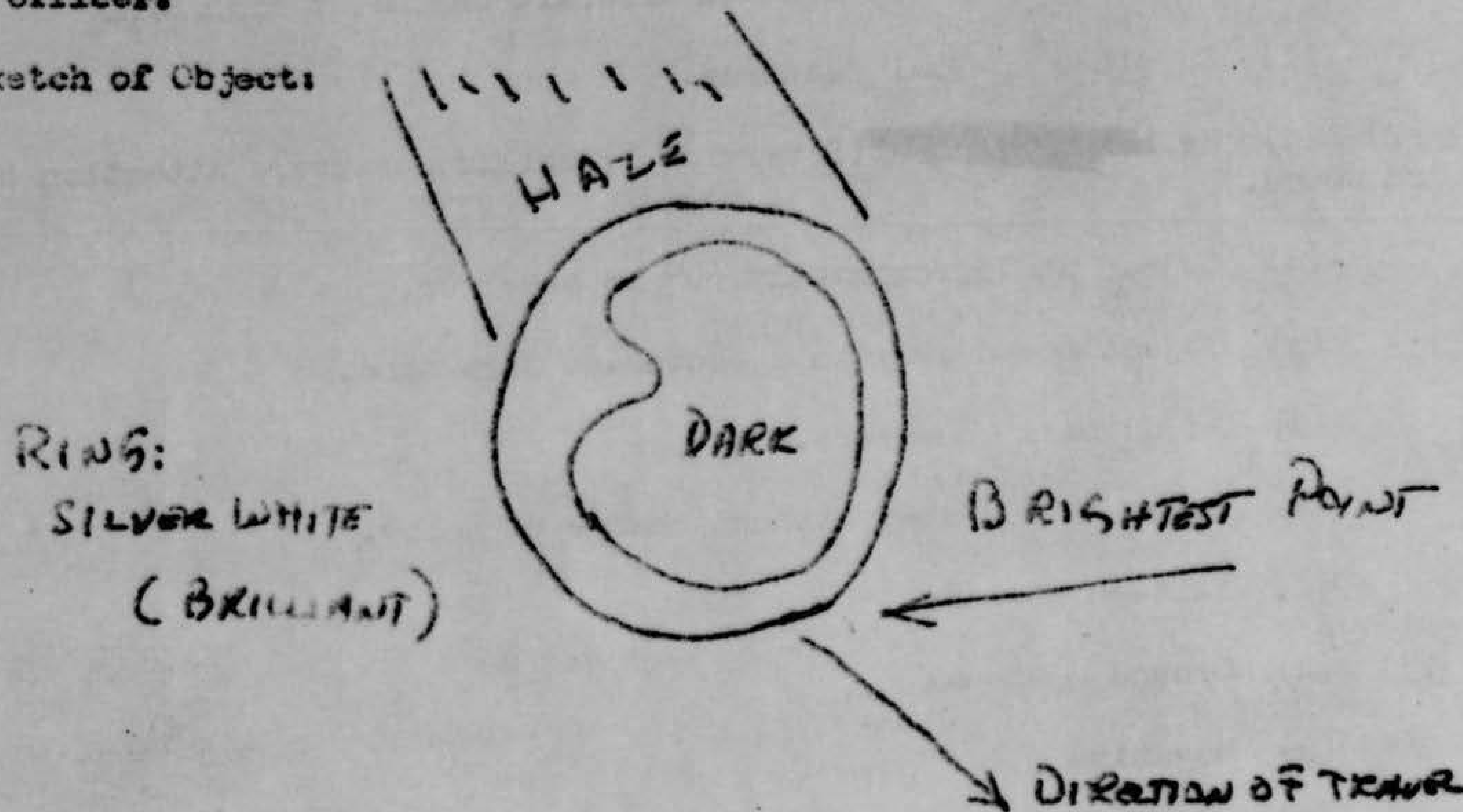
The only information obtained from this observer was the indication of a loud aircraft engine, growing in its intensity and quickly fading. This observer did not see the object. (Statement attached as Incl #4)

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FROM (Agency) 6520th Test Sup Wg, L G Hanscom Fld, Bedford, Mass	REPORT NO. I	PAGE 5 OF 5 PAGES

(12) The nearest weather observation point is the Portsmouth Harbor Lifeboat Station, Portsmouth, N. H. That station did not have any reports logged of low flying or unusual aircraft activity. Investigation of local weather stations did not indicate any abnormal weather conditions or the release of weather reporting balloons. Possible cause of sightings undetermined by reporting officer.

Sketch of Object:



Report prepared by:

FRANCIS W. HENNIN
Captain, USAF
Duty Assignment 1121B
6520th Experimental Squadron (AD)
6520th Test Support Group

To whom it may concern.

Date of Occurrance - Monday April 26th, 1954 - between 3:30 & 4:00 P.M.

I was standing at the rear of the Newburyport High School talking with two people, a Mr. [redacted] and his wife, when I suddenly hear a loud noise from the sky. It was a noise similar to a powerful motor, - a noise which accelerated rapidly and died down rapidly. My first thought was of a rapidly approaching jet and yet the sound was more of a motor character that a jet. I immediately looked skyward and saw a circular ring of rather strong intensity. The shape was similar to this:  , with a protrusion within the ring circumfrence. The space within the two lines was of a bright bluish white. The inner space was dark. The object seemed to be moving in a downward direction, slightly to the right, followed by a vaporous, or smoky, trail. As the object approached its greatest intensity it seemed to stop and travel upward again in a right direction forming an angle between its downward and upward path of about 45° to 60°. As the object appeared to recede it became less bright and took the appearance of a solid, paler, disc, and then disappeared entirily from view. The sound which I heard at the beginning lasted for approximately 5 seconds, and the object was visable for about 30 seconds. When talking about the phenomena at house later in the evening, my daughter mentioned that she had also heard the noise while in the house at the same time that I had heard it. My home is about ½ mile from the school where I was standing. My daughter is thirteen years of age, and I honestly believe it was the same sound that I had heard. There were no planes in the sky within this vicinity at the time this phenomena took place. The sky was only partially obscured with scattered high clouds. There were no clouds near the spot where the object appeared. The object was unquestionably at a very high altitude, and it was also much brighter than the scattered clouds in the distance.

This is a true description of the object as I saw it.

[redacted], Architect
[redacted] Road.
Newburyport, Mass. [redacted]

Sworn to before me
this 28th day of April 1954
[redacted]
Notary Public
Commission, Nov. 21, 1958
expires

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Francis W. Hennin
FRANCIS W. HENNIN
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